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INSTALLATION OF TELEPHONE BOOTHS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government organizations like Railway Stations, ISBT, etc., the telephone booths are installed by the private companies;

(b) if so, the reasons for not allowing MTNL booths at such places;

(c) whether the telephone booths owners are charging double rates than the prescribed rates by the Government; and

(d) if so, the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) The telephone booths of Bharat Sanchal Nigam Limited (BSNL), Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) and the private companies are available in the public places like Railway Stations, ISBT, etc.

(c) & (d) Some of the service providers have reported that a few complaints regarding overcharging by the telephone booth operators have come to the notice. In such cases appropriate action is taken by the concerned service provider.